Governments and others for early finalisation of it.

Assessment of investment made in Food Processing Sector

182. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment in regard to investment made in food processing sector to promote food processing industries in Gujarat;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the industries which are being established to promote food processing industries through investment and what are the details of the efforts being made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c) As per available information 189 Industrial Entrepreneurs Memoranda involving an investment about Rs. 2805 Crores have been filed upto May 1994 for setting up Food Processing units in the state of Gujarat. In addition approvals for Joint Venture Foreign Collaboration, setting up of EOUs etc. have been granted involving an investment of about Rs. 78 Crores. The industries proposed to be set up include Grain Processing, Fruit and Vegetables Processing, Fish Processing, Consumer Industries and Milk and Dairy Products.

Pepsi Food Ltd. alliance with US firm

183. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared any proposal of Pepsi Foods Limited for foreign alliance with an US firm to market branded fruit juice in the US, Netherlands and UK;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what benefits are likely to accure to the country including the repatriation of foreign exchange earned in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Stepping up various exports

184. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Standing Committee on Agriculture has pulled up the Food Ministry for its failures;

(b) if so, whether it has been suggested that Processing Industries should be merged eiher with Industry or Agriculture Ministries;

(c) whether the suggestions made in the report have been considered by Government;

(d) if so, whether the Ministry is steppping up various exports extending necessary facilities to the rural areas by setting up various centres and providing jobs to rural population; and

(e) if so, to what extent these schemes would be implemented during 1994?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) The Standing Committee on Agriculture had made certain observations regarding the Ministry.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Replies to the suggestions made in the Report have been sent to the Standing Committee on Agriculture.

(d) and (e) Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implemented a number of Plan Schemes during the Eighth Plan Period which are aimed at boosting exports and some Plan Schemes for generating employment in rural areas.

In the above context, it may also be mentioned that the Ministry propose to assist setting up of 50 food processing training centres during the year 1994-95.

बिहार में कच्चे फलों संबंधी उद्योग स्थापित किया जाना

185. **श्री जनार्दन यादव :** क्या **खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) बिहार में कच्चे फलों पर आधारित कितने उद्योग स्थापित किए गए हैं ;

(ख) क्या बिहार के भागलपुर जिले में केला और पपीता उद्योग स्थापित करने की कोई योजना है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसे कब तक स्थापित किए जाने की संभावना है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्रीतरुण गोगोई) : (क) बिहार में फल उत्पाद आदेश, 1955 के तहत लाइसेंस प्राप्त 21 यूनिटें/उद्योग हैं जो प्रसंस्करण के लिए कच्चे फलों का इस्तेमाल करते हैं ।

(ख) और (ग) मंत्रालय ने राज्य सरकार के उपक्रमों, संयक्त क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों, सहकारी क्षेत्र, स्वैच्छिक एजेंसियों, निजी क्षेत्र आदि जैसे विभिन्न संगठनों को फल तथा सब्जी प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों की स्थापना/अपग्रेडिंग तथा ग्रामीण खाद्य प्रसंस्करण प्रशिक्षण केन्द्रों की स्थापना के लिए सहायता उपलब्ध कराने के वास्ते विभिन्न विकास स्कीमें तैयार की हैं । भागलपुर जिले में ऐसे यूनिट/केन्द्र स्थापित करने हेतु सहायता के लिए कोई अनुरोध प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है ।

New Food Processing Policy

186. SRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) wheher it is a fact that Government have been considering to lay down a new food processing Policy;

(b) if so, what are the broad lines;

(c) whether a draft Policy has since been prepared, if so, the broad features thereof; and

(d) by when the policy is likely to be declared and whether the same would be brought before Parliament for its approval, if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Ministry has prepared a framework for developing national policy on food processing industries and is now taking steps to hold consultation with sister Minjsries, State governments and others for early finalisation of it. The policy is to address the issues or accelerated development of food processing indusries with a view to augment